



(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business. The department or persons involved is shown at the end of each item. If the item is general in nature, PI will appear for Public Information)

(Public Safety/Court related items)

- **Great Lakes Homeland Defense Conf.** Public Safety Director Joe LaPorte, Sgt. Vance Bates and PIDirector Glenn Zaring attended the conference in regard to issues of security/preparedness/interaction of governments for the good of all residents in the event of a disaster or incident. All three are part of the Command/General Staff of the Tribal Incident Command group.

(Cultural related items)

- **Arcadia Monument.** May 17th, 2007 the dedication ceremony of the monument in Arcadia will be held in Arcadia. This is the culmination of an effort by Arcadia historical groups to recognize tribal presence in the area. (Historical/PI)

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **New Council Members to be sworn in.** New Tribal Council members, Loretta Beccaria, Robert Whiteloon, Pat Ruiter (re-elected) and Bob Hardenburgh will be sworn into office at the Council meeting on May 16th.
- **Ogema Runoff Election.** The Election Board reminds members that the runoff election between Larry Romanelli and Patrick Wilson will be held on June 1st, 2007. Ballots will arrive in the mail but members do have the option to vote in person on June 1st at the Community Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Election Board has asked that members be sure to follow the directions on the ballot so that every vote counts.(Election Board)
- **"C" store site approved!** The Commerce Department reports that Tribal Council approved the site for the new Gas Station/convenience store on tribal land this last week. The store will be located on the Pow Wow Grounds side of US 31. More information along with concepts will appear in upcoming **Currents** editions.
- **Indian Tuition Waiver.** Ogema Pat Wilson, Speaker Steve Parsons, Education Director Yvonne Parsons and PIDirector Glenn Zaring took part in a conference call to discuss strategies and position statements as a tribal response.
- **Tax Department.** The Tax Officer processed tax exemption certificates for resident tribal members and tribal entities. Motor fuel receipts and refunds were processed and the 2006 Tribal Tax report was submitted.

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